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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY INVITEES

Subj: USO OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AND THE WASHINGTON CHAPTER
OF THE ARMED FORCES COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS
ASSOCIATION 11TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The USO of Metropolitan Washington and the Washington Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association is sponsoring their 11th Annual AFCEA/USO golf outing at Lansdowne Resort in Leesburg, Virginia on July 28, 2003. The event will include a continental breakfast, golf, and awards luncheon. Approximately 144 individuals will participate in the event.

The Department of the Navy has determined that attendance by Department of Navy personnel at this event in their personal capacities qualifies as a widely attended gathering under 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(2). This memorandum constitutes a blanket determination of agency interest in accordance with 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(3)(ii). Accordingly, Department of the Navy personnel whose duties do not substantially affect the USO or AFCEA may accept free attendance at this event which includes the provision of food and entertainment furnished to all attendees as an integral part of the event. Department of the Navy personnel may not, however, accept travel expenses or lodgings.

Department of the Navy employees whose duties may substantially affect the USO or AFCEA should seek an individual determination from their local ethics counselor pursuant to 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(3)(i).

Because this is a fundraising event, Department of the Navy personnel are reminded that they are prohibited from officially participating in, endorsing, or otherwise using their official titles, positions, or authority to further this fundraising effort.

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